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FOR AF, ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM

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SUBJ: COM CONFERENCE

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1. BEFORE MY DEPARTURE FOR LUANDA LAST YEAR WE DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF MY VISITING NEIGHBORING AFRICAN STATES EN ROUTE TO LUANDA. SEEMED GOOD IDEA ESPECIALLY SINCE I HAVE NOT SERVED IN INDEPENDENT BLACK AFRICA. TIMING AND OTHER PROBLEMS PREVENTED MY DOING SO. NOW COM CONFERENCE WOULD SEEM TO OFFER UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY.

2. SUBJECT TO CONCURRENCE OF DEPARTMENT AND POSTS CONCERNED, I WOULD PLAN TO ARRIVE BLANTYRE OCT 29, LUSAKA OCT 31, DAR ES SALAAM NOV 3, ADDIS NOV 6, KINSHASA NOV 10, AND LUANDA NOV 12. THAT ITINERARY BASED ON ONLY AVAILABLE FLIGHTS.

3. WHICHEVER WAY I TRAVEL, HOWEVER, WE HAVE MONEY PROBLEM. REFTTEL SAYS TO CHARGE COST TO POST ALLOTMENT. WE DID NOT RPT NOT INCLUDE COM CONFERENCE IN OUR PROPOSED (AND AS YET UNAPPROVED) FY74 REQUEST FOR \$2154, WHICH ANTICIPATED ONLY REGIONAL REQUIREMENTS PLUS BARE MINIMUM INTERNAL TRAVEL.

4. TWO REQUESTS THEREFORE: DEPT APPROVAL OF EXPANDED ITINERARY; AND SPECIAL ALLOTMENT TO COVER TRAVEL AND PER DIEM (\$1530).
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